Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives welcome with pleasure the opportunity to recognize a remarkable Missouri citizen whose efforts and accomplishments have made her a source of inspiration to all those around her; and

Whereas, Mary Lou Baxter has been chosen as a recipient of the Pillar of the Community Award, a most impressive accolade to be bestowed upon her by the Grain Valley Chamber of Commerce on January 29, 2005, at the Community Center; and

Whereas, Mary Lou Baxter has been a loyal and dependable servant to the Grain Valley Senior Lunch Program for several years; and

Whereas, since the opening of the new Grain Valley Community Center, Mary Lou Baxter has served as a volunteer and team worker extraordinaire, doing what she does best —drecting food services and luncheon preparations for popular Grain Valley senior lunches; and

Whereas, on a typical day, Mary Lou Baxter arrives midmorning wearing her usual smile and jumps right into the many things that need to be done and does not slow down until the last pan is clean and everything is polished; and

Whereas, Mary Lou Baxter oversees and coordinates other faithful volunteers and helpers in preparation, table setting, and food serving and distribution, and finally the arduous chore of cleaning up the main area and kitchen; and

Whereas, Mary Lou Baxter is known as a happing, caring person who always finds time to visit and share herself with the guests and make certain that they feel welcome and comfortable; and

Whereas, Mary Lou Baxter can take pride in knowing she has consistently given more than one hundred percent to all undertakings she has so generously and enthusiastically participated:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Mary Lou Baxter for her selection to receive the Grain Valley Chamber of Commerce Pillar of the Community Award and in further wishing her continued success in all future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mary Lou Baxter.

Offered by	
·	Representative Bryan Pratt
	District No. 55
Ninety-thicertify that	on, Speaker of the House of Representatives, rd General Assembly, First Regular Session, do the above is a true and correct copy of House No. 257, adopted January 26, 2005.
Rod Jettor	, Speaker